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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date of transcription 11/24/98

On November 23, 1998, [redacted]
Academic Computing Facility, New York University (NYU), 251
Mercer Street, New York, New York 10012; telephone number [redacted]
[redacted] and [redacted]
Academic Computing Facility, NYU, 251 Mercer Street, New York,
New York 10012; telephone number [redacted] were interviewed
at their place of employment. After being advised of the
identity of the interviewing Agents, [redacted] and [redacted]
provided the following information.

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[redacted] became aware of the ELECTRONIC DISTURBANCE
THEATER's (EDT) web page at the beginning of September 1998 after
the Department of Defense (DOD) contacted NYU and told them the
page was resident on their computer system. [redacted] visited the
EDT web page and determined that the hostile applet was not
resident on NYU's computer system. NYU has a software tool that
can detect hostile program language such as a Java script applet.
The EDT web page contained advocacy language, Ph.D., and project
information. As a result of being contacted by the DOD, [redacted]
monitored all traffic between the EDT site and the targeted
Mexican sites. He did not observe much traffic between the two
sites.

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[redacted] also looked at the FloodNet page and felt that
it was a "silly and naive way of doing things." The FloodNet
program appeared to be reloading pages; however, if it was a well
coordinated attack, such a program could cripple a system. He
also felt that there were far reaching ramifications of such a
program. As a result, the Academic Computing Facility contacted
[redacted] and told him it was in his best interest not to have
such inflammatory language on the NYU system. [redacted] was initially
contacted via E-mail because he was out of the country until that
Monday. Within one week of receiving the message from the DOD,
[redacted] spoke with [redacted]. Consequently, [redacted] removed the
advocacy language from the EDT web page. [redacted] never denied that
the EDT web page was his. [redacted] can establish that the
account belongs to [redacted]. NYU never turned [redacted] account off.

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Investigation on 11/23/1998 at New York

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by SA [redacted] / 11m [signature]

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[redacted] remembers that there was minimal follow up conversation between [redacted] and himself. The first contact with [redacted] was by E-mail. The only in-person contact [redacted] had with [redacted] was regarding technical problems [redacted] was having with his SendMail program. These technical problems were not related to the EDT web page. The Dean of the School of Education was another person who had in-person contact with [redacted] as he had met with him regarding the removal the EDT web page from NYU's computer system.

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[redacted] from the DOD contacted NYU for a second time on approximately September 10, 1998. [redacted] sent what NYU interpreted as a letter requesting that a "tape freeze" be effected on the [redacted] account.

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As a result, NYU electronically recorded the contents of [redacted] computer account and computer logs related to it from September 1, 1998 through September 10, 1998. [redacted] home directory, all of its contents, new and old E-mail, the entire web site as well as copies of multiple versions as it was subsequently modified, access logs and logs showing [redacted] accessing his site have been saved to a tape that has been placed in a secure location at the Academic Computing Facility. NYU will provide the tape to the FBI upon production of proper documentation.

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DATE 12-28-2015 BY C32W33B91 NSICG

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REFERENCE: Email from DISA
RE: NY INVESTIGATION

Subject: What we discussed today

Date: Tue, 22 Dec 98 17:55:39 EST

From: [REDACTED]

To: [REDACTED]

Sent 12/23/98 10:15:16

4053 7960 0527

ZIP DISK w/ DISA

DEFENSELINK INFO

MAILED TO: [REDACTED]

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Hi, [REDACTED] as requested, here's my e-mail address (below). I just got back in the office (5:00 pm), and received a fax from [REDACTED] (his initial case initiation) regarding what we spoke about. I will be reviewing it asap. [REDACTED] advised me he will be transferring the case to me as soon as he is able.

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He also advised me that he sent you those other items; and that he probably would not be able to duplicate a copy to me (he returned the equipment he borrowed; and is leaving DCIS next week for Postal IG). If you could fedex a copy to me; or e-mail, would be greatly appreciated. I'll need to get it by 12/24 at the office; or next week at home (see below).

As I mentioned, I will be on leave next week, and then at FLETC Georgia for Computer Intrusion training the next two weeks; so I won't be back in the office until January 19th. However, this seems extremely interesting, and I would like to get up to speed asap. Also, I will be bringing the items with me to Georgia, to review with my HQ personnel [REDACTED] group, who is giving the training).

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So, I have also listed below my home address and phone number; my pager number; and my ECTF cell. phone number. Please do not hesitate to contact me at any time (at home, etc.), if anything breaks, or I can be of any assistance. I will also try to check voicemail when possible.

Thank you, and happy holidays and new year!

[REDACTED]

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FAX: [REDACTED]

Pager: [REDACTED]

Home: [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

To: [REDACTED]
From: [REDACTED]
Certify: Y
Subject: What we discussed today
Date: Tuesday, December 22, 1998 at 5:55:39 pm EST
Attached: None

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[REDACTED]
OUR E-MAIL
WASN'T WORKING
TOO WELL
YESTERDAY,
SO I'M
FAXING THIS TO
YOU, ALSO.

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Home: [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

OPTIONAL FORM 89 (7-90)

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To	SA [REDACTED]
Dept/Agency	FBI
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From:

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Subject:

Date:

Attached:

e-mail address

Tuesday, December 22, 1998 at 6:11:57 pm EST

None

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[redacted]
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